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Title: PROPORTIONAL SOLENOID-CONTROLLED FLUID VALVE  
HAVING COMPACT PRESSURE-BALANCING ARMATURE-  
POPPET ASSEMBLY

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.10

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In response to the non-final Office Action mailed February 9, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified patent application be amended as follows. Included herewith is \$55, the small entity fee for a one month extension, plus \$225 for the 25 claims added beyond the 20 claims for which the fee has already been paid, for a total of \$280.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin at page 3 of this Reply.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin at page 4 and are reflected in the claims listing which begins at page 5 of this Reply.

**Amendments to the Figures** begin on page 17 of this Reply.

**Arguments** begin at page 18 of this Reply.

**Remarks** begin at page 40 of this Reply.